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took charge of the postal business for the district and delivered mail in the village. The salary of a worker in a cooperative was JMP 80-90,000.<sup>3</sup>

6. A small machinery plant in Canton, [redacted] was for sale for HK\$ 1,400.<sup>4</sup> A barber's helper in Shuihsiyu (3055/6007/0962) worked hard and earned only enough money for cigarettes. 25X1
7. Four acres of land were allotted by the Government, which collected such a rent that the produce from the land was not enough to supply one person's needs.<sup>5</sup> A member of the military service was allotted five acres of poor land, which his family was allowed to rent out. Villagers without a place to live were allotted housing, and for persons who wished to rent their houses it was therefore difficult to find tenants. The government wanted farmers to plant rice and to utilize all the land. Some farmers therefore planted rice instead of the sugar cane they had planned to plant. Records were kept of the work done by each person. Villagers in Chiaoli (5414/0519) received good profits from raising oysters.<sup>6</sup> It was necessary to have an ox to join a mutual farming organization. Each shih (4258) produced 6-7 lo (5012) of grain and the tax on three shih was 16 lo.<sup>7</sup>
8. A government regulation stated that a primary school student would be graduated after four years of study. Each semester had 19 weeks.<sup>8</sup> It cost JMP 1,200,000 - 1,300,000 to go to middle school. One year of instruction in sewing, including tuition, cost JMP 1,000,000.
9. A new law permitted males to marry at 20, females at 11. Marriage might not take place if the age requirement were not met. Dissolution of marriages already consummated might be obtained on these grounds.
10. A young man who was registered in his native village instead of in the city of Canton who wanted to go to Hong Kong would not be issued a permit by the hsiao-tsu (1420/4809) in his village, because he was healthy and educated.

[redacted] Comments

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1. This figure was considered high [redacted] 25X1
2. There is no indication as to whether the figure given referred to days per month.
3. [redacted] No indication was given of the frequency of payment. 25X1
4. [redacted] industry in Canton is primarily handcraft [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] in addition, one must live in Canton City in order to work there. 25X1  
[redacted] without capital there can be no profits in business. 25X1
5. [redacted] all the country people are in difficulties [redacted] 25X1  
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6. There is some implication [redacted] that the villagers raised oysters as a sideline. 25X1
7. [redacted] Comment. Shih (4258) presumably means acre, although the word for acre is mou (3965). It is not known how many catties or pounds there are in a lo (5012). 25X1
8. [redacted] Comment. It is assumed that there are two semesters per school year. 25X1

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